

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT  
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Tom Blomme et al.

Serial No: 09/701,349  
PCT/DE99/00918 (25 March 1999)

Filed November 28, 2000

For: RF CONNECTOR WITH CUTTING EDGES

Docket No.: KSN0007

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Box PCT Legal Office  
Washington DC 20231

**RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R 1.47(a)**

In accordance with the decision dated September 24, 2001, the undersigned hereby respectfully renews the petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a) as submitted on June 11, 2001.

Joint inventor, Tom Blomme, of the subject patent application has refused to join the attached application for an RF Connector with Cutting Edges, which obtains priority from the PCT/DE99/00918 Patent Application referenced above. The last known address of joint inventor Tom Blomme is T Vrige 46, B-8560 Moorsele, Belgium.

As evidence thereof and in accordance with the decision of September 24, 2001, we enclose and submit the following:

1. Affidavit of Pia Mueller, who has personal knowledge of the facts contained therein; and
2. Separate complete Declarations and Powers of Attorney executed by inventors Marcus Schulte, Martin Strab, Joris Dobbelaere, and Bernard Houteman.
3. One complete Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by inventors Jan Dessen and Edgard Acke.

4. Petition for Extension of Time of four months under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and a check in the amount of \$1440 for the petition fee.

It is believed that no additional petition fee is required for this submission, however, you are hereby authorized to charge any such fee, if required, to Deposit Account 02-0387, Baker & Daniels. If the Examiner has any questions related to this Renewed Petition, he or she is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Enclosures: (As stated)

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**AFFIDAVIT OF PIA MUELLER**  
**IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. § 1.47**

I, Pia Mueller, being duly sworn, depose and state that to the best of my knowledge:

1. I am secretary to European Patent Attorney Ms. Marion Heinz-Schäfer, who takes care of the IP issues of Tyco Electronics Logistics AG. I am currently, and have at all times relevant hereto been an employee of Tyco Electronics Schweiz AG, whose address is Amperestrasse 3, 9323 Steinach, Switzerland.
2. I am familiar with the patent application for an RF Connector with Cutting Edges, having eight inventors, namely: Tom Blomme, Jan Dessen, Marcus Schulte, Martin Sträß, Edgard Acke, Joris Dobbelaere, and Bernard Houtteman. A National Entry Application was filed in the US Patent Office on November 28, 2000, in the name of Tyco Electronics Logistics, AG and assigned Serial No. 09/701,349.
3. Our office received from Mr. Peter Hirsch, (European Patent Attorney with Klunker, Schmitt-Nilson & Hirsch of Munich Germany) a copy of the Patent

application as filed in the U.S. Patent office, as well as a copy of the declaration for execution. On December 20, 2000, our office faxed to the above mentioned inventors, including Mr. Tom Blomme, the patent application and declaration to be signed for the U.S. Patent Application. The fax to Mr. Blomme was directed to his business address in Belgium, namely to:

Mr. Tom Blomme  
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Belgium

4. On or about January 20, 2001, at the request and direction of my Supervisor Ms. Heinz-Schäfer, I called and spoke with Mr. Tom Blomme regarding the status of the application papers. He informed me that he had received the application papers, including the declaration, but that he refused to sign the declaration, and any further formal papers. Our office then forwarded to Peter Hirsch those declaration pages which had been executed by the remaining inventors, and informed Mr. Hirsch that Mr. Tom Blomme had refused to sign.

  
Pia Mueller

October 02, 2001  
Date

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 02 day of October, 2001.

City of: Steinach

Kanton: St. Gallen

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**Amtliche Beglaubigung**

Die Echtheit der Unterschrift von  
Müller Pia Paula Regina, geb. 17.06.1947, von Altstätten SG,  
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wird hiermit amtlich beglaubigt.  
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Der Gemeinderatsschreiber:



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**AFFIDAVIT OF ERIC J. GROEN**  
**IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. § 1.47**

I, Eric J. Groen, being duly sworn, depose and state that to the best of my knowledge:

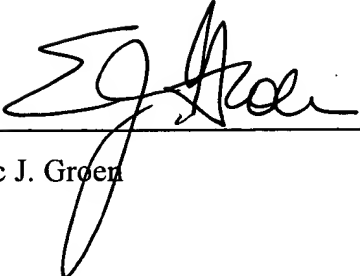
1. I am an attorney registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office (Reg. No. 32,230). I am currently, and have at all times relevant hereto been, a partner at the law firm of Baker & Daniels, which office is located at 205 West Jefferson Boulevard, Suite 250, South Bend, Indiana 46601.

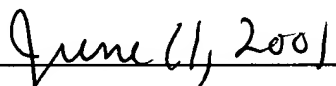
2. I have been retained by Klunker Schmitt-Nilson & Hirsch (KSNH) to file a national U.S. patent application corresponding to PCT/DE99/00918, for an RF Connector with Cutting Edges. Peter Hirsch, Dipl. Ing. of KSNH forwarded to me the PCT application papers for filing, which application named eight inventors who contributed to the invention. The inventors being Tom Blomme, Jan Dessen, Marcus Schulte, Martin Sträb, Edgar Acke, Joris Dobelaere, and Bernard Houtemann. I prepared a National Entry Application which was filed on November 28, 2000, and assigned Serial No. 09/701,349.

3. We forwarded to Mr. Peter Hirsch on January 19, 2001 a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts, with a request that the declaration be signed by the eight inventors. Subsequently, on about April 17, 2001 in a letter from Mr. Hirsch, I received the declaration signatures of seven inventors, less Mr. Tom Blomme. In this letter, Mr. Hirsch informed us Mr. Blomme had refused to sign the declaration.

4. I have had a personal phone conference with Mr. Peter Hirsch, who informed me that Tyco Electronics Logistics, AG had forwarded the declarations for signature directly to the above mentioned inventors. In this same conversation, Mr. Peter Hirsch confirmed his understanding that Mr. Tom Blomme had refused to sign the declaration. Mr. Peter Hirsch also informed me that Ms. Marion Heinz-Schäfer, European Patent Attorney for Tyco Electronics Logistics, AG, was responsible for sending the declarations to the inventors.

5. On May 9, 2001, I had a personal phone conference with Ms. Marion Heinz-Schäfer, and she confirmed that their office sent the declaration for signature of the above mentioned application, directly to the various inventors. Ms. Marion Heinz-Schäfer also informed me that she requested her secretary Ms. Pia Mueller, to follow up with the inventors to receive the signed declaration, and in that course of follow-up, Ms. Pia Mueller talked with Mr. Tom Blomme who indicated his refusal to sign the declaration.

  
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Eric J. Groen

  
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Date

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2001.

Agnes Y. Schleiger  
Notary of Public

County of: St. Joseph

My commission expires: April 17, 2009.

State of: Indiana

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# Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

## English Language Declaration

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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the specification of which

(check one)

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on November 28, 2000 as United States Application No. or PCT International Application Number 09/701,349 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_

(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(a)-(d) or Section 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or Section 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Not Claimed

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)
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(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)
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(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U. S. C. Section 120 of any United States application(s), or Section 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, C. F. R., Section 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application:

<b>PCT/DE99/00918</b>	<b>25 March 1999</b>	<b>Pending</b>
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.


**POWER OF ATTORNEY:** As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. *(list name and registration number)*

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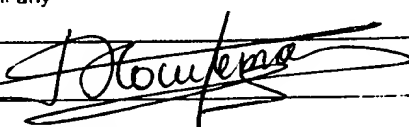
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Eighth inventor's signature	Date
Residence	
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Full name of ninth inventor, if any	
Ninth inventor's signature	Date
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Full name of tenth inventor, if any	
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